

REMARKS

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to examination of the application is respectfully requested.

The brief description of the drawings and the detailed description of preferred embodiments in the application are hereby amended consistent with changes made to the drawings and submitted on March 21, 2002, and otherwise as to matters of form. A claim of priority from two related provisional applications is also submitted, supported by an accompanying petition, and a government rights clause is added to the application. No new matter is introduced by this amendment.

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney as appropriate to expedite the allowance of the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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